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COMING EVENTS

April 26 Meeting of Woman's Missionary Society of Presbyterian church at home of Mrs. G. W. Elder at 2:30.

April 27 All-Day meeting of N. P. Banks Post and Woman's Relief Corps at G. A. R. Hall.

April 27 School election from 2 to 7 p. m.

April 27 P. E. O. Luncheon at home of Mrs. Charles Barker.

April 29 Revival services by Presbyterian and Methodist churches.

May 1 All day meeting of Acacia Mothers Club.

May 3 Thursday Club election and civic program.

May 3-4 Senior play "Amarilly of Clothesline Alley" at Union High

May 4 Dance and card party at K. of P. Hall by the Pythian Sisters.

May 12 Chamber of Commerce meets at City Hall.

May 12 Carnival on Municipal Playground.

May 15 to 19 G. A. R. Encampment at Long Beach

May 23 Children's Party by U. and I. Club.

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SCHOOL ELECTION, April 27th, at Cerritos avenue school from 2 to 7 p. m. Candidates: Irving Oliver and J. D. Hibben for the office of trustee. Vote for one.

The advisability of taking steps to secure control by the City, of Tropico's water supply will come up at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees, which is inviting all citizens to attend and hear the debate. In view of the urgent demand for land cultivation and food production, and the consequent need for abundant and cheap irrigation water, this is a question to which no citizen can afford to be indifferent. That the matter is already coming home to some water users is shown by the article in this number contributed by Mr. Owen Rhodes.

THOUGHTFUL PATRIOTISM

We good Americans are glad to see the amount of bunting displayed in Tropico. And, in view of the threatened food shortage, we are sorry to see the number of vacant lots, potential potato patches and the like, scattered throughout the city. In the near future, we fear, it will be bunting, bunting everywhere, but not a bite to eat.

Why haven't I planted the vacant lot adjoining? Why hasn't my neighbor planted his tennis court or his bramble patch? We can't afford to meet the water bill. We should rather take our chances with the threatened food shortage and a full pocket book than to spend every cent we have on irrigation and a prospective cellar full of potatoes.

Here is a chance for thoughtful patriotism. Let the city see to it through negotiation with the water company or some means not material to us that we get the water for irrigation. Then we shall see to it that the potential garden patches throughout this city are made to bloom like the rose and to much more practical purpose. Let the city see to it that these vacant lots are planted, irrigated and made to produce food supplies. If no other means can be afforded, let the city take the matter into its own hands and farm the lots out to the Boy Scouts or some other practical organization.

Let's get out a petition to this effect, or call a mass meeting or something. Other cities have taken up this matter. Why should we not follow suit- Having made provision for full stomachs, we should be able to conduct our flag-raising with much greater confidence and satisfaction. Remember, when hunger comes in at the door, patriotism is fain to crawl out of the window.

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Subject April 29, "Probation After Death."

Mr. Frank Balthis, who represented the Sophomore class in the Oratorical Contest at Union High last Friday night, won first honors and the $20 goldpiece. The class also won first prize on its booth which represented a battleship. The boys and girls of the class wore white sailor suits and Owen Dare was the pirate and carried a parrot on his shoulder as all pirates do. Mr. Balthis' theme was "Woodrow Wilson, the Man of the Hour."

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Guests young and old were: Beryl and Evelyn Goodell, Ethel Burk, Dorothy Erskine, Florence, Mabel and George Melrose, George Peterson, Eugene and Gordon Fleury, Dorothy Peterson, Mesdames Peterson, Dunham and Fleury, Robert and Bettie Grant. Dorothy received some very pretty gifts.

Miss Alice Gray Beach and Mrs. Heisler were hostesses and chaperones of a dancing party at Venice last Saturday night made up of Glendale and Tropico young people. The guest list included: Ardis Heisler, Eloise Seaman, Alberta Heisler, Clara Snodgrass, Walter Bacon, Homer Wellman and J. T. Beach.

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THURSDAY CLUB

One of the most delightful programs the club has enjoyed came as a somewhat unexpected treat last Thursday when the gifted violinist Ruth Virden of Oxnard and Louisiana D. Spaulding, a very talented new comer in Tropico, entertained. Miss Virden's numbers were "Chant Negre" by Kramer and "Orientale" by Caseare Cui, which were much appreciated. Miss Spaulding gave two piano numbers "Barcarolle in G. Minor by Rubinstein and "Gigue Brittanne" by Bachman. Later she sang "Dawning" by Cadman, "Wake Up" by Philips, and "Love Means You" by Warner. Then her audience demanded some of her own compositions and yielding to importunities she sang her "Iowa Loyalty" song, with an encore verse on California, and when more was called for gave her patriotic song "Hail Ye Heroes."

The session opened with the singing of America by the club, and closed with "Star Spangled Banner."

Mesdames Wesley Bullis, D. O. Chandler, E. V. Bacon and S. E. Brown were hostesses.

CARNIVAL

Managers of the Playground Carnival which is to come off May 12th, report that the Boy Scouts of Tropico augmented by the Glendale and Eagle Rock companies will give the beautiful flag drill which they presented at Exposition Park. This will follow the program to be given by the Cerritos school. A musical program is to be given by the glee clubs of Union High in Japanese costumes.

The Thursday Afternoon Club has agreed to be responsible for the candy, pop-corn, peanut and chewing gum booth. It is to be decorated by Mesdames Leigh Bancroft and Seeley Moe and the ladies are going to try hard for the prize, donated by Hamburger, for the best decorated booth.

The Queen Contest has begun and ballot boxes have been placed at the Cerritos school and at the B. & B. Grocery. Candidates to date are: Dorothy Dutton, Theda Furey, Ida Wilber, Dorothy Carmack, Mabel Gaarder and Mida Butler. The votes cost a penny apiece and there is lively competition.

Tropico's patriotic buttons are here. Have you seen them? They are to be sold at 5c each and playground boys will act as salesmen. Everybody ought to be wearing them.

Mrs. Chadwick and her daughter Florence from Long Beach spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Danner.

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REVIVAL SERVICES

Union Evangelistic meetings which will open next Sunday evening, are to be held in a large tent which will be pitched at the corner of Brand and Tropico avenues. The Presbyterian and Methodist churches are joining in this effort. Morning services will be held as usual in the separate churches, but there will be a Sunday afternoon mass meeting and union evening meetings. A union choir drafted from the two churches and from the community generally will be a feature of the meetings. All singers are asked to assist. The first choir practice will take place next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Singing will be led by Prof. E. Martindale Woods, son of Charles Coke Woods, a leading pastor in this conference and an author of some note. Mr. Woods has a dramatic tenor voice and has done some concert work.

Rev. G. Le Roy Clarke, the preacher, is also a singer and all around musician. He has a fine bass voice and plays the piano, banjo, guitar and cornet. He has been an evangelist from his boyhood, assisting his father, who was a Baptist preacher. To his mother, who was a Methodist, he gives credit for his zeal and enthusiasm. For a short time he was on the vaudeville stage. Mrs. Clarke was an active member of the Salvation Army at the time he married her. The Clarkes will share the parsonage with Mr. Ford during their stay in Tropico.

Rev. Don S. Ford reports an appeal made to a union meeting of preachers in Los Angeles last Monday which he attended for effort to promote Red Cross work. It was there reported that our preparations to date are insufficient to meet the requirments of a battle lasting more than twelve hours. A report was also made of plans under way to enlist the boys scouts in gardening work to help increase food supplies.

Students in the Biology Section of Union High have been excused from class work that they may put in the time planting beans. The land was plowed and prepared last week and planting was begun by the students Monday afternoon.

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Most Urgent Patriotic Duty

Believing as the Sentinel does that FOOD PRODUCTION AND ITS CONSERVATION IS THE MOST URGENT PROBLEM WHICH THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES ARE FACING, apologies are not necessary for the large amount of space given to the report of the conference on this matter held at the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce last Thursday in which representatives of all the leading cities of Los Angeles County participated as did also delegates from various official bodies of city and county. The audience chamber was crowded, many delegates being forced to stand throughout the session which lasted for nearly three hours in which the suggestions and discussions of the ways and means of encouraging the garden movement were followed with the closest attention. The meeting was called by a central committee consisting of F. E. Doty, secretary of the County Civil Service Commission, (who presided) William Wood, Horticultural Commissioner, and Dr. Jessie Russell of Glendale. The committee had prepared suggestions for local organization to increase food production, and the circular embodying these suggestions was distributed among the delegates. Tropico was represented by three delegates appointed by President Peters of the Board of Trustees, viz: Trustee Veselich, Horticultural Inspector A. C. Fleury, and Miss Gibbs of the Tropico Sentinel.

The opening address was made by Mr. Hamilton, President of the County Board of Supervisors, who indorsed the home garden movement and urged immediate action as a patriotic duty. Later in the session County Superintendent of Schools, Mark Keppel, contributed his boost for the work and pledged the help of the county school organization.

Several speakers cautioned against depending upon the work of school children and shirking responsibility. They declared this is a man-sized job which calls for real work on the part of parents.

L. A. Children Starve

Mr. Brown of the Los Angeles Home Garden Committee stated that his organization is helping people to help themselves and that it has spent $500 for seeds, that it has distributed 8560 pounds of seed potatoes which were loaned to the growers with the understanding that an equal amount should be returned to the committee from the crop, to be used for seed next year. He confirmed the reported distress among the poor, even at this time, and said that two children in the Jordan school within the past two weeks had died of mal-nutrition, which is the medical term for starvation. Said he, "Hundreds of children are going to school without sufficient food in their bodies to enable them to carry on their work properly. We must take up this work not only because of the war, but because of the shortage of food which is growing shorter every day. In this work the hardest thing you will have to contend with is the almost impossible inertia of people about going onto a piece of land. Do you realize that this $7,000,000,000 war loan is going to cost us $70 apiece? A great many vacant lots have been placed at our disposal and the public service commission has granted us a half rate on water for irrigation purposes. The rate is the lowest granted by any city of any considerable size in the United States. We are planning to plow vacant lots for people who will use them, to furnish seed to the needy and supply simple garden tools."

Glendale's Campaign

Dr. Russell then told of the movement in Glendale, how nine or ten committees are now at work securing vacant lots, assigning them to those who will use them, arranging for plowing by city teams, securing speakers for a campaign of education on gardening and on the conservation of food by avoiding waste and by home canning, arranging with the city for special irrigation rates, etc.

Food Scarcity Inevitable

Mr. Clayton F. Palmer, teacher of agriculture in the city schools said: "Whether we have peace or war I cannot see that it will make much difference with the problem. In any event there is going to be a scarcity of food. Our government estimates it will take the best part of a year to train an army of fighters. It will take considerably longer than a year to train a good agricultural army. We have been too long ignoring our most important vocation in too many of our schools. We have taught agriculture in our colleges and high schools but we have started at the wrong end and we will not get effective agricultural teaching until we put it where it belongs, down in the grades." As a measure of economic efficiency Mr. Palmer recommended the transplanting of beets, onions, lettuce, tomatoes, cabbage and other garden truck which has been started in cold frames instead of wasting seed and losing time by planting seed in the open ground. Said he: "Let's get the boys busy with such crops as beans, corn, sweet potatoes, tomatoes, and above all squashes. A boy who cannot raise a squash better not attempt gardening at all." He also declared it was too late to plow under crops of weeds and wild grass, that they should be removed before plowing. He advised amateurs to steer clear of adobe soil, and not to attempt to cultivate more ground than they could properly care for. He recommended the wheel hoe with two or three attachments as a labor saver; and trench irrigating. Sprinkling he pronounced a snare and a delusion because it encourages surface root growth. He urged the necessity of getting in crops before the first of June, and of extensive plantings of beans.

Seed Shortage

Dr. Shepherd, head of the agricultural department at Manual Arts High, called attention to the shortage of seed supplies in the hands of dealers and to the importance of sterilizing seed potatoes from the germs of scab by the use of formaldehyde solution, one pint to thirty gallons of water in which the seed is soaked for an hour and a half. He deprecated the hoarding of food, saying: "We do not want it stored up when it is needed for people who are suffering right now."

Not Inspiration But Perspiration

Professor Gilbert Bailey of the University of Southern California said: "The resources of the University are yours to command and use as you see fit. What we have to do today is to back up the patriotism of the soldier with the patriotism of increased production. It isn't enthusiasm, it isn't inspiration that is going to do the work, it is perspiration and lots of it. It is our duty to become self sustaining just as fast as we can to relieve some of the load that is going to be laid upon the railroads. We should not force the railroads to carry things even to another county when their facilities are all needed to transport things to soldiers in the field."

Mrs. Houser of Alhambra said we should not dwell too much on the money side of production. When we need the food, money doesn't count.

Miss Bassett urged leaders in the school garden movement to enlist the boys who are the "head of the gang" and the rest would follow.

Mr. Howe of Glendale Union High told of the movement there for the co-operative marketing of products of small gardens.

Trustee Stephen Veselich of Tropico said: "In mobilizing our young people we should not overlook our housekeepers. The local committees should teach these housekeepers how to save whatever these boys produce and avoid all waste."

Mr. Hench of Covina stated that city had agreed to furnish water free for the school gardens.

Mr. Church of Glendale suggested that instruction in canning be given in the domestic science departments of the public schools to teach pupils to save perishable foods.

Santa Monica in the Van

William A. Gibson, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Santa Monica, said: "In Santa Monica we said, 'Let's imitate Pingree.' Four hundred lots were offered us. We have plowed and put into condition 175 of those lots which now have crops growing on them. We have potatoes that have been hoed. We have secured good mature men and women to plant and cultivate those lots. Our school superintendent is going to secure forty acres of land and make the suchool curriculum such that the boys will spend the morning in the school room and the afternoon in the fields. In Santa Monica we are going to give the water if we have to. WE OWN OUR OWN WATER; IT IS A MUNICIPAL PLANT AND IF WE WANT TO GIVE IT AWAY WE ARE GOING TO DO IT. We have our own horses yet and we have been using them in the plowing of these lots."

Mobilize the Rranchers

Mr. Jones, Horticultural Commissioner said: "Don't forget the ranchers. They will respond like the rest of the people. An inter-row crop in irrigated orchards will swell the food supply a great deal more than the work of the townspeople.

"Advertise the fact that a little money can be used by a great many people. If any man will advance money to some other man to put in a crop and take his pay when the crop is harvested, it will encourage some poor man to go onto land and help the food supply.

Save the Potato Eyes

Mrs. Stevens of South Pasadena protested against the household waste of potato eyes. In preparing potatoes for her own family she scoops out some of the potato under each eye and saves the peelings in a pan of water until some member of the family can run out to the garden and plant them. She now has 30 hills of potatoes from such seed.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey Jr., entertained with a luncheon last Monday in compliment to Judge and Mrs. Gwin Garnett who leave Friday for Chicago. Besides the guests of honor were: Mrs. Sellers of Pasadena, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Merrill, Mr. Garnett Shaw Hancock of Tucson, Mrs. John Seaman, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clay Seaman.

Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Logan of Chicago gave a luncheon at Hotel Virginia, Long Beach, at which covers were laid for fourteen. The guest list included Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey of Tropico, Mrs. Sellers of Pasadena, sister of Mrs. Harvey, and Judge and Mrs. Gwin Garnett of Chicago. Table decorations were in red, white and blue. Over the coffee cups Madame D'Eshneauville gave a most interesting talk on Germany's treatment of her country, Switzerland.

Miss Ruth Virden, of Oxnard, who contributed the violin numbers in the program of the Thursday Afternoon Club last week, spent several days with the Virden family in Tropico.

Mr. Benjamin Small of Brand Boulevard, who enlisted in the Eighteenth Coast Artillery, was called last week with the other men of his Company. Their destination was not known at the time they left, but it is now understood they were taken to Fort Rosecrans for drill. Daniel Ellsworth Heald, son of W. E. Heald, the Tropico jeweller, who has enlisted in Company 21 of the Coast Artillery, expects to be called any day. Captain Baum heads the Company and Dru Nichols of Glendale is its Second Lieutenant.

The Deutsch Verein Club of Union High entertained all the German students of the high school at a picnic at Eagle Rock, Saturday.

Mrs. F. D. Tuppen of Venice, a former resident of Tropico was the guest of Miss Lydia Stanton of West Park avenue, Friday.

Mrs. J. L. Fishback of Los Angeles visited friends in Tropico Friday.

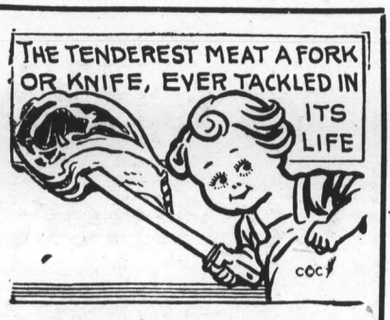
Dr. J. H. Henry of Central avenue has been assisting Dr. F. A. Thompson in revival services at Westminster, Orange County. He returned Saturday for a brief stay in Tropico and reported that the evangelistic effort was being well rewarded.

Miss Margaret Crawford of 916 Central avenue was kept out of school for several days last week by a hard cold.

Master Frank Herald of West Ninth street is now out after being confined to his home by a week's illness.

Mrs. Myra D. K. Shuey, who has many friends in Tropico, left Monday morning for a trip to Porterville, Visalia and San Francisco from whence she will go to the home of her daughter in Eugene, Oregon. She plans to be gone several months.

Mr. George Wilber of North Glendale avenue met with a very disagreeable accident last week. While at his work a piece of machinery fell and striking his feet, crushed his toes, though he hopes to be able to save them.



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Mr. and Mrs. Dunham of Blanche avenue and Mr. and Mrs. Grote left Saturday afternoon for San Jacinto to visit Mrs. Dunham's daughter, Mrs. Goff. Mrs. Dunham was planning to remain for two or three weeks, the rest of the party to return the early part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Alexander of Blanche avenue have been visiting friends in Corona for a few days.

Mrs. R. E. Tiffany, who has been spending the winter with her mother, Mrs. Hattie Tiffany, left with her husband and babies Sunday morning for Porterville where Mr. Tiffany is developing a twenty-acre ranch for general farming.

The Woman's Relief Corps of N. P. Banks Post will hold their regular monthly all-day meeting Friday, the 27th, at G. A. R. Hall.

Messrs. Wayne Smith and James Shea will give a dance in Masonic Temple, Glendale, May 18th for which the Howdy orchestra will furnish the music.

Miss Blanche Davenport and her friend, Miss Lillian Eaton, spent the week end with Miss Margaret Ettelmore at Montebello. They had a delightful visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Whitney of Los Angeles, dined with Mrs. Hal Davenport of North Glendale avenue, Saturday.

Mrs. J. W. Brown is visiting relatives at Ramona Acres.

Mrs. Amy Isabella Peabody gave a small dinner at her home on North Glendale avenue in honor of her brother, Mr. Thomas Lorrimer. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of Toronto, Canada, Mrs. C. C. Horsford of Boston, Dr. Flower of San Francisco, Mr. Jack Broden of San Francisco, Miss Emma A. White of New York (now at Venice) Mr. Thomas Lorrimer and Mrs. Amy Peabody. The table and dining room were decorated with American Beauty roses and ferns.

Mrs. D. H. Imler, Department Inspector of the Woman's Relief Corps, was guest of honor Saturday at a reception and banquet given at Norwalk by the Corps of that city. Other guests from the local corps were Miss Cora Hickman, Mrs. Ada Atkinson, Corps president, and Mrs. Priscilla Howdyshell, Corps treasurer.

Mr. M. Glora of North Glendale avenue has just returned from a week's business trip up North.

Mr. and Mrs. Whiting of Glendale, Mrs. Amy Isabella Peabody and son Vincent Peabody, motored to Los Angeles Sunday afternoon where they spent a delightful hour and a half at a musical. Then, after calling on some friends in the Wilshire district, they dined at one of the leading cafes, Mrs. Peabody acting as hostess.

Mr. C. K. Lake, who is developing a claim in Pacoima Canyon came down to visit his wife and friends and spent several days in Tropico last week.

Mrs. Eckstein, sister of Charles Cushing, City Librarian, has been visiting the Cushing family but expects soon to return to the claim which she and Mr. Eckstein are developing in the Antelope Valley not far from Elizabeth Lake. Twenty-five years ago the same land was taken up by the Cushing family when Mrs. Eckstein was a little girl, but it was never proved up and was allowed to lapse. She is very enthusiastic about the country which she says is now settling up fast. She also reports excellent crops, especially of wheat.

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CAR SERVICE PETITION

Last week on behalf of the members of the Thursday Afternoon Club and other signers, Mrs. A. L. Bancroft presented to Paul Shoup, president of the Pacific Electric Railway, a petition bearing about 350 names of residents of Tropico, asking for better car service between this city and Los Angeles. She was received with the greatest courtesy and assured by Mr. Shoup that he would investigate the matter, secure reports of passenger traffic and advise her in the course of a couple of weeks what action the Company would take.

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ATWATER TRACT NOTES

Miss Adda T. Burch of Atwater Tract is attending the County W. C. T. U. at Whittier.

Mr. and Mrs. William Krause of La Clede avenue entertained at dinner Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Searle and son of Los Angeles. Mr. Searle is president of the Bartlett Music Company.

Mrs. F. W. Thomas of Hollywood was the guest of Mrs. Parkinson, Atwater avenue the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Colby of Los Angeles were Sunday guests of Mrs. Charles.

Mrs. Henry Grauel of Perlita avenue entertained at dinner on Saturday. Covers were laid for nine persons.

Mrs. Sherman of Los Angeles and Mrs. Esponwall of Seattle, Washington, were the guests of Mrs. Emily Dunlop.

Miss Elizabeth Dunlop of Perlita avenue entertained her class of the eighth grade of the Cerritos school on Monday evening. Light refreshments were served and with music and games the evening passed most pleasingly.

Miss Edith Bryan, of Los Angeles who is much interested in the Red Cross and is training a class in Red Cross work, visited Mrs. Emily Dunlop the last of the week.

NOTICE

Following the trend of the times and feeling that our employes deserve a half holiday during the summer months, we, the undersigned Feed and Fuel Firms have decided to close our stores at Noon on Saturday, from May 1st to October 1st 1917.

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PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board met at the usual hour with all members present except Trustee Henry.

Sirens

The communications read by the Clerk included several letters addressed to President Peters in answer to his inquiries relative to fire sirens. One from Santa Monico stated that the whistle in use there cost $1000 and could be heard five miles, Claremont reported the use of a "chime" purchased at a cost of $18.00 (This was a steam whistle) Manufacturers of the "Duplex" of Denver wrote they would furnish same without motor for $260.00. The communications were referred back to the committee which was continued.

Hill Street Work

A report by Engineer Wattles setting forth the filling in, rolling, etc., necessary to be done on Hill street by Contractor Schelling under his final agreement with the city, also work to be done by the gas and water companies at street intersections where pipes were laid, was read by the City Clerk who was instructed to forward a copy of the report to Contractor Schelling and ask him when he would be prepared to do the work. A second copy of the report was to be referred to Street Superintendent Jennings with instructions to inspect the work while in progrss. The Clerk was also requested to advise the gas and water company of the street intersection work due from them and suggest that same be performed by Contractor Schelling while on the job, at their expense.

Milk Permits

In re the application of George and Clarence Blanchard for permit to sell milk in Tropico, Dr. Mabry reported that Mr. Blanchard, the applicants' father, is not temperamentally adapted to the handling of anything, which goes into a home. On his disapproval of the application the Board voted to deny the permit.

Food Production Conference

Truste Veselich made a preliminary report on the Los Angeles conference on food production and conservation and said he would be prepared to submit working plans at the next meeting. He suggested that vacant land adjoining the City Hall be plowed and that the fire company boys be invited to cultivate it as an example of municipal thrift.

Shelter Station

Relative to the removal of the Tropico avenue shelter station to the corner owned by C. C. Chandler and offered by him for that purpose, Mr. Peters reported Mr. Chandler's unwillingness to sign a lease drafted by the railroad company. He was instructed to see if the removal could not be effected without a lease.

Report of Water Committee

As Chairman of the Water Committee Mr. Peters submitted a report in which he recommended that the Board call an election for the purpose of voting bonds in the sum of $55000 for the purpose of acquiring a water plant. He reported the offer of the Water Company to sell to Tropico for $55,000 and to accept municipal bonds in payment bearing 5 per cent interest. He also reported estimates made a year ago for a new distributing system in the neighborhood of $40,000 stating that 20 per cent should be added to cover the advanced cost of materials now. Because of this high cost and also because the properties included in the water company's offer (18 inches of water, real estate, pumping plant, meters, etc.) are worth the price independent of the pipe lines, he advised purchase from the water company as the cheaper proposition and also advantageous in that it would eliminate competition. On motion of Seal seconded by Veselich, consideration of the report went over for one week, at which time President Peters hoped citizens would come out in force to hear the debate on the proposition.

Fire District No. 1

The ordinance submitted at the last meeting establishing Fire District No. 1 on Brand Boulevard, between Park and Acacia, came up and was declared read and passed on its first reading.

Drinking Fountain

The need to reopen the drinking fountain at Central and San Fernando was presented by President Peters and he was appointed a committe of one to take the necessary steps.

Unsightly Ruins

The city's right to remove unsightly structures partially destroyed by fire was discussed and Marshal Gould was instructed to inspect such a building on Columbus north of Park avenue and report.

Clean-Up Days

On the recommendation of Dr. Mabry the Board voted to name May 5th and 7th as "Clean-Up" days for parkways and lots and instructed the Health Officer to prepare and distribute appropriate dogers announcing the days.

The need to trim low hanging branches of street trees was discussed and the matter referred to Street Superintendent Jennings.

Demands

Demands approved and ordered paid were: Tropico Sentinel for publication of ordinance $4.50; Baker's Hardware Co. for tools $9.00; Bond for City Clerk $5.00.

The Board then adjourned.

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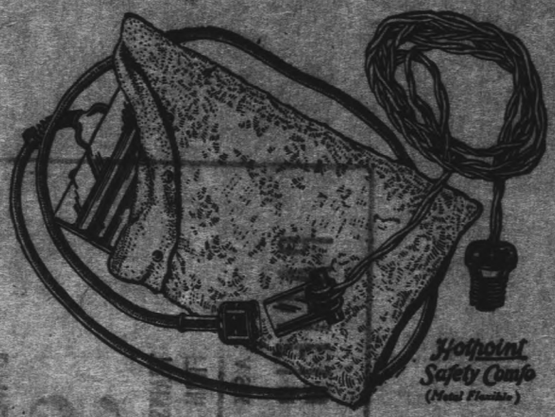

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